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Honorable Jack Quinn
House of Representatives
331 Cannon Building
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Dear Congressman Quinn:

This is in reply to your letter of April 7, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of several of your constituents regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

Your constituents are specifically concerned about the impact of these changes on radio control (R/C) hobby users. Enclosed is a discussion paper concerning our proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. In short, we expect there would be no adverse impact on R/C operations because of any proposal contained in the Notice.

We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take your constituents' concerns into account when we develop final rules in this proceeding. As indicated in the Notice, we remain convinced that without significant regulatory change in radio operations in the bands below 512 MHz, the quality of communications in the private land mobile radio services will continue to deteriorate to the point of endangering public safety and the national economy.

We want to thank you for your interest in this proceeding. Your constituents' letters will be included in the record of the proceeding. We expect final rules to be issued in 1994.

Sincerely,

Edward R. Jacobs

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The Honorable William Paxson
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Sirs:

It has recently come to my attention that the FCC is considering an action that will severely limit and potentially eliminate a very important hobby of mine, radio control (R/C) model airplanes, helicopters, cars and boats.

Your Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) in PR Docket 92-235 replaces Part 90 of your rules with a new Part 88. Part 90 allows for safe use of R/C aircraft and surface models by keeping 10 kHz spacing between fixed commercial users and frequencies used by R/C enthusiasts. The new Part 88 will allow mobile users on frequencies within 2.5 kHz of frequencies available to us, eliminating safe use of at least 31 of the 50 channels on the MHz band and 10 of the 30 frequencies on the 75MHz band now used by hobbyists. In fact, more channels will likely be affected.

This action will have a severe, detrimental impact upon me and the entire R/C hobby industry. If put into effect, my airplane or helicopter could easily be shot out of the sky by a mobile user I'd have no way of knowing about. This creates a severe health hazard.

I have been involved in this hobby for 31 years. I own 5 radios and 14 model airplanes, cars and boats. In addition, I have numerous engines, motors, chargers, field accessories and other products necessary to support my hobby. When you consider there are hundreds of thousands of other R/C hobbyists in the U.S. just like me, these proposed rule changes will affect a lot of people economically and in terms of employment.

I urge you to reconsider this. Keep 10 kHz spacing between all frequencies on 75 MHz and 72 MHz bands available for safe use by R/C enthusiasts. Please don't eliminate this hobby that has grown tremendously over the past 30 years and has so much investment of money and enjoyment of people nationwide.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Carl F. Rogers

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proceeding is PR Docket 92-235.

If adopted, the new rules will greatly limit the frequencies which are used by model airplane enthusiasts.

The FCC is planning to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting into narrower bandwidths the frequencies in the 72-76 MHz band.

By doing this, the land mobile frequencies will be dangerously close to the frequencies used by modelers.

The chance of interference would

more likely. The chance of property damage and personal injury will be too high.

Please help me to continue the safe enjoyment of my hobby by not allowing the F.C.C. to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,
Michael A. Colucci
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